

City of Burien

BURIEN PLANNING COMMISSION
February 14, 2012
7:00 p.m.
Multipurpose Room/Council Chambers
MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jim Clingan called the February 14, 2012, meeting of the Burien Planning Commission to order at 7 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jim Clingan, Greg Duff, Brooks Stanfield, Nancy Tosta, John Upthegrove

Absent: Ray Helms, Rachel Pizarro

Administrative staff present: Scott Greenberg, Community Development Department director; Stephanie Jewett, planner

AGENDA CONFIRMATION

Direction/Action

Motion was made by Commissioner Stanfield, seconded by Commissioner Duff, to approve the agenda for the February 14, 2012, meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Direction/Action

Motion was made by Commissioner Duff, seconded by Commissioner Stanfield, and passed 5-0 to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2012, and January 24, 2012, meetings.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION

Branden Born, associate professor of Urban Design and Planning at the University of Washington, reviewed the Burien food access assessment that was done as part of the Communities Putting Prevention to Work/Healthy Eating Active Living (CPPW/HEAL) grant.

PUBLIC HEARING

Scott Greenberg gave a brief overview of the proposed 2012 Zoning Code amendments. Chair Clingan called the public hearing to order at 8:08 p.m.

Mr. Greenberg submitted an E-mail testimony from **Kevin DeLashmutt** of Prudential Northwest Realty Associates and Shorewood on the Sound Community Club regarding a proposed procedure change for Type 4 land use reviews.

Chestine Edgar, 1811 SW 152nd St., expressed concern about proposed changes to the types of land use decisions and their related procedures, elimination of language requiring a database of significant trees, the fee charged for proposed Comprehensive Plan and map amendments, changes to the review process for some public park and recreation facilities, allowed increases in nonconforming building coverage and/or impervious surface coverage if certain requirements are met, the change of “wetland” to “stream” in BMC 19.40.350.1.C and clarification of where stream buffers are required.

Mike Hart, 2660 SW 172nd St., testified about the proposed revision to the definition of impervious surface.

Carol Jacobson, 3324 SW 172nd St., expressed concern about the designation of gravel as an impervious surface and the negative impact that may have particularly on properties affected by the Shoreline Master Program and about whether there would be a review process and notice to adjacent properties if the Parks Department decided to designate unimproved street ends or public access areas as public parks.

Robert Howell, 15240 20th Ave SW, expressed concern about proposed changes to the types of land use decisions and their related procedures, the fee charged for proposed Comprehensive Plan and map amendments, and the change of “wetland” to “stream” in BMC 19.40.350.1.C.

Robbie Howell, 15240 20th Ave SW, testified regarding proposed elimination of language requiring a database of significant trees.

Good Space Guy, 10219 9th Ave S, asked whether Burien would be better off without a zoning code because such a code decreases the rights of property owners.

The commissioners discussed some of what they heard in testimony. Mr. Greenberg said clarifying language would be added to some of the proposed changes and he would talk with the Public Works Department about gravel can be defined as an impervious or pervious surface.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and possible recommendation on Zoning Code Amendments

Direction/Action

Discussion and possible recommendation on the proposed Zoning Code amendments has been tabled until the next Planning Commission meeting.

PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Tosta said she will be unavailable for the March 13th meeting.

Commissioner Uptegrove thanked Deputy Mayor Clark for attending the Planning Commission meeting this evening.

Commissioner Clingan gave an update on the work of the Shoreline Master Program small group.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Direction/Action

Commissioner Tosta moved for adjournment; Commissioner Stanfield seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0; the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

APPROVED: February 28, 2012

/s/ Jim Clingan, chair